

Page 2 line 19, delete "a) Technical object"; line 27, delete "b) Attainment of the object" and insert ~~SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION~~--.

Page 5, line 8, delete "~~c) Embodiments~~" and insert

**--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWING--;**

Page 5, before line 18 insert the following header:

**--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS--;**

Page 5, after the last "Figure 2." insert --The clamping plate 2, 2' has at least one transverse opening 6 at the side 5 in opposite relationship to the side with the projections 3. Especially, the transverse opening 6 extends in plan perpendicularly to the projections 3.--

Page 6 after the last line insert the following paragraph:

--While the invention has been described with a certain degree of particularity, it is manifest that many changes may be made in the details of construction and the arrangement of components without departing from the spirit and scope of this disclosure. It is understood that the invention is not limited to the embodiments set forth herein for purposes of exemplification, but is to be limited only by the scope of the attached claim or claims, including the full range of equivalency to which each element thereof is entitled.--

**In the claims**

5. 1. (Amended) A packaging machine comprising;  
a main frame structure; [and]  
active elements (for example conveyor belts, transposing apparatuses, robots)